(c) has not the Director of Public Instruction received repeated representations about this grievance of the aided school teachers. If so what action has been taken?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(a) No. There have been comments in the paper on delay in dealing with the grant bills of aided schools.

(b) No pay-bills are received from aided schools.

(c) No.

458. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether the pay bill sent by the Lower Primary School, Thessery (Kodakara) is passed by the Inspector of Schools, Southern Division;

(b) when was this bill submitted?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(a) No pay bill has been received from the school.

(b) Does not arise.

459. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) when was the pay bill (Government aid) for the months of Mithunam and Karkadagam of last year cashed by the Varandarappilli Malayalam Grant-in-aid School?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(a) There are two Malayalam Primary Grant-in-aid Schools at Varandarappilli.—

1. St. Antony's School, Varandarappilli. The date of encashment of the bill for Mithunam 1119 is not yet known.

The bill for Karkadagam 1119 has not been received.

2. St. John Bosco's School, Varandarappilli.

The bill for Mithunam 1119 was cashed on 29th Thulam 1120. The date of encashment of the bill for Karkadagam 1119 is not yet known.

The bills are cashed by the Managers and not by the Department.

ROAD—KALLETTUMKARA TO THAZHAKAD

460. Mr. George Panikulam *(Irinjalakkuda):* Will Government be pleased to answer.—

(a) whether land acquisition for construction of the road from Kalletumkara to Thazhakad has been completed as promised in the last session of the Council;

(b) if not, at what stage does it stand?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):*

(a) and (b) The acquisition proceedings are in progress, but have not been completed.

FEEDING THE CHILDREN FUND

461. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) the amount ear-marked for this purpose of feeding the children in school from Government Funds for the year 1120;

(b) the amount contributed by the public in 1120;

(c) the amount spent already for the purpose in 1120;

(d) the number of children so fed and is to be fed (1) in Mattancheri (2) Ernakulam (3) Trichur (4) in all other primary schools in other places in the State?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):*

(a) A sum of Rs. 4·00 lakhs has been provided in the budget of 1120 for payment of contribution to Noon-day feeding.

(b) A sum of Rs. 21,705—9—6 has been collected till the end of 10th Dhanu 1120.

(c) An amount of Rs. 78,967—15—2 has been spent up to the end of Vrischigam 1120.

(d) It has not been possible to collect the information in time.

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